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SUBJECT: SSOD - PUBLIC INFORMATION ACTIVITIES

1. THE UN OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION HAS PROVIDED THE CONSULTATIVE PANEL ON PUBLIC INFORMATION, MEETING IN NEW YORK MARCH 23-27, WITH A THREE PAGE TEXT DESCRIBING ITS PLANNED PROGRAM OF INFORMATION ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT. COPIES OF THIS POUCHED TO IO/UNP MACUK AND ACDA/WEILER. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF THE OPI PROGRAM.

2. PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS: TWO BROCHURES IN FIVE LANGUAGES HAVE BEEN PRODUCED, ENTITLED "SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT" AND "ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE ARMS RACE". THE CENTRE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL INFORMATION IS PRODUCING AN ARTICLE ENTITLED, "THE ARMS RACE -- THE RISKS OUTWEIGH THE PROFITS" AS WELL AS A 20 PAGE BOOKLET ENTITLED, "OF ARMS AROUND THE WORLD". SPECIAL BACKGROUND PRESS RELEASE WILL BE ISSUED IMMEDIATELY BEFORE OPENING OF THE SPECIAL SESSION. PRESS BRIEFINGS WILL BE ARRANGED AS AND WHEN REQUESTED AND ALSO AS DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT IT. A REGIONAL EDITORS ROUNDTABLE
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FOR SENIOR EDITORS OF MASS MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL TAKE PLACE JUST BEFORE THE SSOD.

3. RADIO AND VISUAL SERVICES. 16MM FILM ENTITLED, "NUCLEAR COUNTDOWN", PRESENTLY AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH WITH OTHER LANGUAGE VERSIONS IN PREPARATION, IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO ALL UN INFORMATION CENTERS AND INTERESTED TV

AND NGOS. NOTE: AT REQUEST OF US DEL AT PREPCOM IV, THE FILM NOW CONCLUDES WITH A 30 SECOND REFERENCE TO THE SPECIAL SESSION. OPI RADIO SERVICE PLANS A NUMBER OF PROGRAMS IN ITS ANALYTICAL WEEKLY PERSPECTIVE SERIES.

4. A LARGE SCALE EXHIBIT OF PHOTOGRAPHS AND GRAPHICS TENTATIVELY ENTITLED "MAKE PEACE NOT WAR: INVEST IN PEOPLE NOT WEAPONS" WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN THE UN LOBBY FROM EARLY MAY TO THE END OF THE SSOD. A SIMILAR EXHIBIT WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS IN GENEVA AT THE SAME TIME.

5. CONTACT WITH NGOS. THE NGO/OPI CONFERENCE, TO BE HELD IN NEW YORK APRIL 6-7, WILL DEVOTE MOST OF ITS PROGRAM TO THE SSOD.

6. POST SESSION ACTIVITIES. PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS DIVISION WILL ISSUE A ROUND-UP PRESS RELEASE OF THE DECISIONS OF THE SESSION. UN MONTHLY CHRONICLE WILL CARRY A SUMMARY REPORT. RADIO SERVICE WILL ALSO PROVIDE WRAP-UP ASSESSMENT. VISUAL SERVICES WILL PROVIDE A FILM ON DISARMAMENT. NOTE: IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THIS IS ANOTHER FILM IN ADDITION TO "NUCLEAR COUNTDOWN". WE WILL SEEK CLARIFICATION.

7. MISOFFS INTEND TO DISCUSS THIS PROGRAM IN FURTHER DE-UNCLASSIFIED

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